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COMPACT FLUORESCENT LIGHT BULB (CFL) RECYCLING

Recycling CFLs just got easier for homeowners! The Home Depot stores launched a national consumer CFL recycling program at all 1,973 store locations. There is no cost for the service. Customers can bring in any expired, unbroken CFL bulb to the returns desk at any Home Depot store.

Switching from traditional light bulbs to CFLs is an easy method to reduce energy use at home. According to the U.S. EPA's ENERGY STAR program, if every American switched one traditional light bulb to a CFL, it would save more than \$600 million in annual energy costs and prevent greenhouse gases equivalent to the emissions from 800,000 cars. Although no mercury is released when a CFL is in use, when one is disposed of in the trash, crushed, incinerated, or otherwise broken, mercury can be released into the environment.

Home Depot also launched an in-store program to conserve energy by switching to CFLs in their light fixture showrooms. It will save an estimated \$16 million annually in energy costs.

KENTUCKY RECYCLING INTEREST GROUP

The Kentucky Recycling Interest Group (KRIG) met June 17 at Eastern Kentucky University. More than 50 members attended the meeting, spending most of the day with one of eight committees to define strategies to meet that committee's goals. The next full meeting is tentatively planned for the morning of Oct. 6 in Lexington, right before the Governor's Conference on the Environment. To join, or for more information, contact Dara Carlisle at 502-564-6716 or email at dara.carlisle@ky.gov.

NEW HAMPSHIRE LEGISLATION

Legislation recently passed in New Hampshire that requires state agencies to establish a recycling plan to achieve 100 percent recycling of office-generated paper and cardboard. The legislation also creates a committee responsible for purchasing materials, supplies and products with the highest content of recycled materials for state use.

PLASTIC BAG AND FILM RECYCLING

Americans recycled an estimated 812 million pounds of plastic bags and film in 2006, up 24 percent from 2005. Plastic bags are recycled into several products, including plastic lumber and new bags. Composite lumber manufacturers recycle approximately 64 percent of all recovered plastic film. An average 500 square-foot square deck contains about 140,000 recycled plastic bags.

Many of the country's biggest bag manufacturers will begin printing a message on their bags to encourage bag recycling at participating stores. Progressive Bag Affiliates recently made available a comprehensive recycling toolkit designed to make it easy for stores to begin a recycling program for plastic bags. Check their Web site at www.plasticbagrecycling.org for more information.

Visit the Division of Waste Management Web Site at <http://www.waste.ky.gov>

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Prices are based on trailer load lots paid by end-users. This guide is for reference only and does not represent an obligation by any buyer to pay these amounts.

Prices vary according to location, condition of product and other factors. Prices for handlers and processors will be different from these prices which are quoted for manufacturers. Prices fluctuate daily or weekly, and are based on the second week of the month, unless otherwise noted, and may change.

Paper	<u>\$ per ton</u>	<i>Board and Mill purchase prices, baled, FOB seller's dock. From July 5, Official Board Markets Yellow Sheet, Chicago market.</i>	<u>Previous month</u>	<u>Previous Year</u>
Mixed Paper	80-85		80-85	65-70
Sorted Office	195-205		195-205	160-170
Newsprint #6	80-85		80-85	70-75
Newsprint #8	125-135		110-120	90-100
Sorted White Ledger	300-310		300-310	250-260
Corrugated Containers	85-90		95-100	105-115
Plastics	<u>Cents per lb.</u>	<i>From market sources serving Kentucky, contacted July 14-15. Baled, FOB seller's dock. Priced as loads available.</i>		
Polyethylene Terephthalate (PET-soda bottles)	17	clear and green (mixed)	17	16
High Density Polyethylene (HDPE-milk jugs) #2	37	natural	35	33
Glass	<u>\$ per ton</u>	<i>From July 14, Waste News, average for truckload quantities, delivered to end-user, Chicago market.</i>		
Clear	25		25	28
Amber	16		16	16
Green	4		4	8
Metals	<u>\$ per lb.</u>	<i>Aluminum from market sources serving Kentucky, contacted July 14-15.</i>		
Aluminum Cans	1.04	densified, baled truckload, picked up	1.00	92
	<u>\$ per gross ton</u>	<i>Steel cans from market sources serving Kentucky, contacted July 14. Baled, FOB seller's dock.</i>		
Steel Cans	312	Clean, used densified cans	287	132